

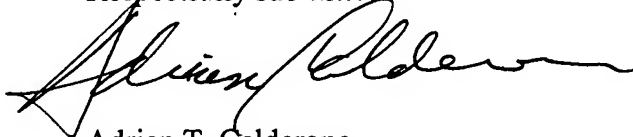
REMARKS

Claims 29 and 30 remain pending in this application, both of which are allowed.

Claims 1-10, 12, 14-16, 18, 20-23, 25-28 and 31 are finally rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being obvious over Kaiser et al. (US 5,936,842) in view of Buchele (GB 2069767) and Iha et al. (US 4,653,565). To facilitate prosecution of this application these claims are canceled by amendment herein. Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejection are respectfully requested.

As only allowed claims 29 and 30 remain pending in this application, grant of an Allowance is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted



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